Adverse weather conditions ~ January 2022

Health & Safety

It is our prime concern to ensure that children and staff are safe while on school premises. Decisions about the routine functioning of the school will be made in response to these concerns. Changes may be necessary but broadly the plans laid out below are what we think can happen to enable the school to continue functioning.

The school will open during periods of snowy weather and will only close in extreme circumstances ie. no water supply, no heating, inadequate levels of staffing due to the snow etc.

The school will clear and salt central paths and members of school would be advised to use these for their own safety. It might mean that a different route into school needs to be taken.

Curriculum

The classes would run as normal as possible but there would be opportunity for the teachers to use the snow as a possible stimulus for writing and creative work. Time outside would be given for children to enjoy the snow during break, lunch and possibly other times in the day providing the child arrives wearing suitable clothing. Parents are advised to send their child/children to school in warm mufti clothes and recommend boots or wellingtons and a spare set of socks and trousers.

In the event that some children might not be able to access roads or transport in the event of snow, the teacher would try their best to upload some aspects of learning via Dojo, but live lessons would not take place via Zoom as they do currently for children isolating due to Covid.

Lunches

Hot lunches will be provided as normal although, depending on deliveries, there could be a menu change.

Communication

A letter will be sent to parents annually in advance of the weather change to outline the school intentions. This letter will include information about children wearing appropriate clothing, mufti, bringing spare socks/trousers, wellies and packed lunch. Clubs would be cancelled.

Dojo and Parentmail will be used centrally to keep parents informed of any changes due to the weather conditions.

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